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TO AMEMBASSY LAGOS

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 035932

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, NI, US

SUBJECT: NORTHROP INTEREST IN SELLING F-5E'S TO NIGERIA

REFS: A) 76 STATE 253368, B) 76 STATE 261882, C) MEMCON  
DATED OCT. 22, 1976, BY STRAUSS S.LEON (USDOC/SIPS)

1. NORTHROP REP (CRANE) PAID PERIODIC CALL ON DEPARTMENT  
OF STATE FEBRUARY 11 TO TALK ABOUT POTENTIAL SALE OF  
F-5E AIRCRAFT TO NIGERIAN AIR FORCE (NAF). NORTHROP  
CONSULTANT (DUSTY MILLER, RESIDENT IN UK) RECENTLY VISITED  
NIGERIA, BUT NORTHROP REPS HAVE NOT BEEN THERE FOR  
SEVERAL MONTHS. NORTHROP CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT  
F-5E'S ONLY COMPETITION FOR MAJOR NAF ORDER IS THE MIG-21.  
CRANE WAS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN DISCUSSING NAF  
CHIEF OF STAFF JOHN YISA-DOKO'S STANDING WITH FELLOW  
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2. PLEASE REPORT ALL CONTACTS BY EMBASSY WITH NORTHROP  
AND OTHER MANUFACTURERS OF US FIRMS INVOLVING MILITARY  
EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES, AS REQUESTED BY REF A AND STATE  
286693 OF NOV. 23, 1976.

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